

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION AT CINCINNATI

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

PLAINTIFF,

v.

MICHAEL L. HUDSON, an individual,

DEFENDANT.

Case No.: 1:17-cv-00520-TSB

Judge: Timothy S. Black

FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO DEFENDANT MICHAEL L. HUDSON

The Securities and Exchange Commission having filed a Complaint and Defendant Michael L. Hudson (“Defendant”) having entered a general appearance; consented to the Court’s jurisdiction over Defendant and the subject matter of this action; consented to entry of this Final Judgment; waived findings of fact and conclusions of law; and waived any right to appeal from this Final Judgment:

I.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] (the “Exchange Act”) and Rules 10b-5(a) and (c) promulgated thereunder [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5(a) and (c)], by using any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, or of the mails, or of any facility of any national securities exchange, in connection with the purchase or sale of any security:

- (a) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud;

- (b) to make any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- (c) to engage in any act, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, as provided in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(d)(2), the foregoing paragraph also binds the following who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise: (a) Defendant's officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys; and (b) other persons in active concert or participation with Defendant or with anyone described in (a).

II.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 13(b)(5) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(5)], by knowingly circumventing or knowingly failing to implement a system of internal accounting controls or knowingly falsifying any book, record, or account described in Section 13(b)(2) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(2)].

III.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Exchange Act Rule 13b2-1 [17 C.F.R. § 240.13b2-1], by falsifying or causing to be falsified any book, record, or account subject to Section 13(b)(2)(A) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(2)(A)].

IV.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, Defendant is permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Exchange Act Rule 13b2-2 [17 C.F.R. § 240.13b2-2] by, while in the position of a director or officer of an issuer, directly or indirectly making or causing to be made a materially false or misleading statement or a material omission to an accountant in connection with (1) any audit, review or examination of the financial statements of the issuer required to be made pursuant to the securities laws, or (2) the preparation or filing of any document or report required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

V.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is permanently restrained and enjoined from aiding and abetting violations of Sections 13(b)(2)(A) and 13(b)(2)(B) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. §§ 78m(b)(2)(A) and 78m(b)(2)(B)] by knowingly providing substantial assistance to an issuer in (1) making or keeping books, records, and accounts that are materially false or in (2) maintaining a system of internal accounting controls that fail to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

VI.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, pursuant to Section 21(d)(2) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(2)] and Section 20(e) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(e)], Defendant is prohibited from acting as an officer or director of any issuer that has a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act

[15 U.S.C. § 78l] or that is required to file reports pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78o(d)].

VII.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is permanently restrained and enjoined from aiding and abetting any violation of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) [15 U.S.C. § 78m(a)] and Rules 12b-20 and 13a-1 [17 C.F.R. §§ 240.12b-20, 240.13a-1] thereunder by knowingly or recklessly providing substantial assistance to an issuer that files materially false or misleading statements with the Commission in information or documents required to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, as provided in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(d)(2), the foregoing paragraph also binds the following who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise: (a) Defendant’s officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys; and (b) other persons in active concert or participation with Defendant or with anyone described in (a).

VIII.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is liable for disgorgement of \$3,905,221.50, representing profits gained as a result of the conduct alleged in the Complaint. Payment of the disgorgement and prejudgment interest is deemed satisfied based on criminal restitution imposed on Defendant in the related criminal matter, *United States v. Hudson*, Case No. 1:15-CR-121 (S.D. Ohio).

IX.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Consent is

incorporated herein with the same force and effect as if fully set forth herein, and that Defendant shall comply with all of the undertakings and agreements set forth therein.

X.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, solely for purposes of exceptions to discharge set forth in Section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §523, the allegations in the complaint are true and admitted by Defendant, and further, any debt for disgorgement, prejudgment interest, civil penalty or other amounts due by Defendant under this Final Judgment or any other judgment, order, consent order, decree or settlement agreement entered in connection with this proceeding, is a debt for the violation by Defendant of the federal securities laws or any regulation or order issued under such laws, as set forth in Section 523(a)(19) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(19).

XI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for the purposes of enforcing the terms of this Final Judgment.

Date: 1/8/18

Timothy S. Black
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE